

# TOLL BRIDGE PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

CALTRANS —BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY — CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

May 1, 2007, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Caltrans Headquarters, Director's Conference Room 1120 N Street, CA

Attendees: TBPOC Members: Will Kempton, Steve Heminger, John Barna;

PMT Members: Tony Anziano, Andy Fremier, Stephen Maller;

<u>Participants</u>: James Ghielmetti (part-time via phone), Daniel Himick (part-time), Michele DiFrancia, Beatriz Lacson, Brian Maroney, Dina Noel, Judis

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Convened: 1:36 PM

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1.	CHAIR'S REPORT	
	The Chair gave an update on the	
	MacArthur Maze meltdown that	
	occurred early morning on Sunday,	
	April 29, 2007.	
	<ul> <li>By that afternoon, emergency</li> </ul>	
	proclamations were in place.	
	<ul> <li>Two ramps have been closed:</li> </ul>	
	westbound to southbound 880	
	(which averages 35,000 vehicles per	
	day), and eastbound 580 (which	
	averages 45,000 vehicles per day).	
	Demolition was completed late	
	Monday night, April 30.	
	<ul> <li>Federal, State and regional agencies,</li> </ul>	
	including MTC and CTC, have made	
	quick offers of assistance.	
	<ul><li>The public is heeding the request to</li></ul>	
	stay away from the area and use	
	alternate routes.	
	o The Department's handling of the	
	situation has been prompt; it is	
	another example of effective	
	emergency response and	
	management.	

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2.	CONSENT CALENDAR  BATA presented the following for approval.  a. April 6, 2007 Meeting Minutes	<ul> <li>The TBPOC APPROVED the minutes for the April 6, 2007 meeting with the following stipulation:</li> <li>Delete the last bullet in the Action column on page 5 of 8 of the minutes.</li> </ul>
3.	MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT  BATA presented the following for information:  a. Draft April 2007 Monthly Progress Report  b. Draft May 2007 Monthly Progress Report  • Approval of these reports by the PMT through delegated TBPOC authority is anticipated after appropriate reviews and final comments are incorporated.	• For the record, the TBPOC  APPROVED the March 2007  Monthly Progress Report through their respective PMT members on April 9, 2007.
	<ul> <li>c. Draft First Quarter Report Ending March 31, 2007</li> <li>The Department presented this report for information, along with the Projected 1st Quarter Report Production Schedule.</li> </ul>	• Schedule a TBPOC conference call to approve the First Quarter Report Ending March 31, 2007.
	BATA requested TBPOC approval for the transmittal letters to the Legislature and CTC.	<ul> <li>The TBPOC APPROVED the letters of transmittal with the following revision:</li> <li>Change (in bold) the last sentence of the 1st paragraph on page 2 to read: "The TBPOC is pleased to report that the \$1.2 billion Regional Measure 1 Toll Bridge Program project is nearly complete and is expected to be opened to traffic by the end of August 2007."</li> </ul>
4.	PROGRAM ISSUES  a. Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project - Authority	The TBPOC APPROVED

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- to Negotiate with State of California Department of Fish and Game
- The Department requested TBPOC approval to negotiate with the State of California Department of Fish and Game in the amount of \$5M, to resolve issues pertaining to the issuance of an Incidental Take Permit for the project under the California Endangered Species Act.
- b. FY 2007-08 Capital Outlay Support Allocations Request
- The Department presented, for information, the request for FY 2007-08 allocations for the capital outlay support (COS) for the Seismic Retrofit Program (\$127.4M) and the New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Project (\$6.7M).
  - There is no impact to the overall program and project budgets, but contract level budget changes are anticipated in the future.
  - The request will be presented to the BATA Oversight Committee for final approval during the fourth week of June 2007.

- granting the Department settlement authority to resolve the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge project- related issues with the Department of Fish and Game with the following requirement:
- The PMT to draft a letter of settlement for the TBPOC's signature.
- The PMT to develop a strategy/schedule to achieve COS savings consistent with the Opportunity Schedule the Program is trying to achieve; consistent with the State's budget scheduling process; and, in line with the needs of CTC and BATA.

## 5. SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE UPDATES

- a. Yerba Buena Island
  - Labor Day Weekend Closure for Detour West Tie-In Work/ YBI Viaduct Replacement
  - The Department presented, for TBPOC approval, the final communications message for the bridge closure occurring over the Labor Day weekend of 2007.
  - CTC Chair, John Ghielmetti, participated (via telephone), along with Daniel Himick, President of C. C. Myers (CCM), YBI Contractor, who attended the meeting at the

• The TBPOC **deferred the decision** on the final bridge
closure communications
message until the June TBPOC
meeting.

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rec	quest of the PMT to respond to	
	POC questions and address	
	ncerns.	
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• Co	omments/discussion included:	
0	Per CCM, the work is do-able in a	
Ŭ	77-hour period with 18 hours of	
	float, assuming a Friday night	
	closure of 7:00 pm, with work	
	starting at 9:00 pm (2 hours to	
	clear the bridge).	
	The option of closing the bridge	
0	all day Friday was suggested,	
	since a 7:00 pm closure would	
	prompt workers to go home and	
	businesses to close early anyway,	
	thereby preventing possible	
	spillover into Tuesday. The CCM team includes	
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	demolition expert Silverado	
	Contractors, Inc. and Mammoet,	
	a contractor specializing in heavy	
	lifts and transport of heavy structures. The latter holds	
	several world records for heavy moves and lifts.	
	- A video clip of a similar roll-in	
	on a Washington State project	
	was shown to the Committee.	
	- CCM noted that Silverado has	
	a history of successful	
	partnership in projects with	
	them; has done a lot of	
	demolition work over the	
	weekends; and, they have	
	always met or beat their	
	timetable.	
0	Sequence of work, logistical	
	issues, weather impacts and	
	opportunities for additional float	
	were discussed.	
	- CCM gave assurance that	
	everything is well-planned.	
0	It was noted that CCM's company	
	reputation is on the line.	
0	The Department is meeting with	

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the demolition contractor Silverado on May 14 and invited BATA and CTC to attend.	
• The TBPOC indicated that it would make a decision no later than its June meeting to decide on the following options: 1) to close SFOBB on Friday, August 31, @ 7:00 PM until Tuesday, September 4, @ 5:00 AM; or 2) to close all day Friday through 5:00 AM Tuesday.	
It was suggested that the San Francisco and Bay Area businesses be polled on how a Friday or Tuesday bridge closure would impact them should an extra day be needed. An e-mail system is already in place that could accomplish this in short order (Bay Area Council).	• Bart Ney, through the CPT, to work with Jim Wunderman to further explore conducting the survey and get it underway.
<ul> <li>2) Contract Change Orders</li> <li>The Department requested authorization to negotiate the following Change Orders for the South-South Detour Contract: <ul> <li>a) Design Enhancements: CCO 60,</li> <li>in an amount not to exceed \$8M;</li> <li>b) West Tie-In Site Preparation Work: CCO 61-S1, in an amount not to exceed \$10M.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The TBPOC APPROVED granting the Department authority to negotiate CCO 60 and CCO 61-S1, as presented.</li> <li>In the future, use "YBI Detour" when referring to this contract, instead of South-South Detour.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>A Budget Balance Beam (South-South Detour Contract 04-0120R4, Budget Analysis, January 2, 2007) was handed out and discussed.</li> <li>The \$334M budget shown does not include the full amount of identified risk.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make the adjustment to reflect the full amount of identified risk in the Budget Balance Beam.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>b. Self-Anchored Suspension</li> <li>Superstructure</li> <li>1) Overseas Site Visit</li> <li>CTC reported on the visit to the</li> <li>ZPMC facilities on Changxing Island</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>in Shanghai, China.</li> <li>ZPMC is rapidly proceeding with the preparation for the SAS bridge fabrication. It is vitally important that a strong owner presence be maintained on-site to make immediate decisions and avoid slowdowns and/or work stoppages.</li> <li>ZPMC is faced with having welders without three years of post-certification welding experience, per contract specification.</li> </ul>	Action
	• The Committee would like to be briefed on the anticipated expenses in China.	• Schedule a TBPOC conference call to discuss China expenses (combine with item 3c above).
6.	<ul> <li>NEW BENICIA-MARTINEZ BRIDGE</li> <li>a. Schedule Revision</li> <li>BATA presented the Revised New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Contract Schedules and requested TBPOC approval for the changed contract completion dates that reflect the current construction progress.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The TBPOC APPROVED the schedule with the following conditions:         <ul> <li>Change the Open-to-Traffic Date to August 2007.</li> <li>Present the schedule again to the TBPOC with the new forecast completion date consistent with the new bridge opening date, for the Modify Existing Bridge contract (04-0060A4).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
7.	<ul><li>Other Business</li><li>CTC requested the re-scheduling of the June 12 meeting.</li></ul>	The Clerk of the TBPOC to make the appropriate arrangements.

Adjourned: 3:44 PM

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## **APPROVED BY:**

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Date

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Bay Area Toll Authority

Date